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Mayor and Blind Hymn Writer Were Born on Same Date

There was a pretty exchange of courtesies between Mayor Lee and Panny Crosby, the blind poetess yesterday. Miss Crosby celebrated her 89th birthday and it was also the 61st anniversary of the birth of the mayor. He sent her 59 roses and she sent him 61 carnations with a pretty little poem attached called, "Our Natal Day."

\$350,000 FIRE IN JACKSONVILLE

(Special from United Press.) Jacksonville, Fla., March 25.—Fire today destroyed several manufacturing establishments in the heart of the business section, causing a loss of \$350,000. For a time the entire business section was in danger.

DIED

BOOTH.—In Stratford, Conn., Putney District, March 25, 1909, David B. Booth, aged 95 years, 9 months, 7 days.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, Putney District, on Sunday, March 28, at 2:30 P. M.

—Interment at Putney Cemetery, S 25° E.

M'PADDEN.—There will be an anniversary high morning at St. Mary's church, Friday morning at 7:30 for the repose of the soul of the late Loretta McPadden of 20 Steuben St.

CARROLL.—In Stratford, Ct., March 24, 1909, Richard Carroll, of Stratford avenue, aged 44 years.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, Stratford avenue, Stratford, Ct., on Friday, March 26, at 8:30 a. m., and from St. James' church at 9 a. m.

—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery, a. p.

HOYT.—In Stamford, March 22, Della P. Hoyt, in her 74th year.

KANE.—In Stamford, March 21, Della Kane.

PALMER.—In Stamford, March 19, Jared S. Palmer, in the 67th year of his age.

ALLEN.—In Saugatuck, March 21, Edward Allen, aged 70 years.

RYAN.—In Hartford, March 22, Annie, widow of John Ryan of Torrington, aged 56 years.

WHEELER.—In Torrington, March 23, Anna E. Wheeler, aged 67 years.

HOLCOMB.—In Winsted, March 23, Miss Anna A. Holcomb, aged 24 years.

MEERER.—In Westport, March 21, Harry Meeker, aged 50 years.

WEED.—In Darien, March 19, Belle M., wife of Arthur W. Weed.

MONUMENTS

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LOCKED IN HIS ROOM SMITH DEFIES WORLD

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See Any One — Door

Forced and Smith is Re-

moved to Lakeview Home.

Locked in his room at 258 Gilbert street and bidding defiance to the world in general and his landlady, Mrs. Mills in particular, Chauncey O. Smith, well known in this city, has proclaimed that he was going to remain for six months. Smith is a diminutive individual weighing under 100 pounds. His landlady is robust and buxom and refuses to take any advantage of her undesirable tenant. This morning she called at the police headquarters and also upon Investigator Alexander Morrissey of the Charities department for instructions. Smith has been a beneficiary of the department for several months. He received his weekly dose of provision which he turned over to Mrs. Mills to pay for his keep. On Monday he locked the door of his room and refused to see any one. He also refused the food which the kind hearted woman had prepared for him. Mrs. Mills became alarmed yesterday and sent for Investigator Morrissey, who called at the house and talked with Smith through the door. "I won't open this door for anybody. You can do what you like, but I will take a thousand men to get me out of here. I propose to stay here. I am going to stay here for six months. That's what. If you think you can get me out you just try it on once. You might just as well get it over and get better for I won't open the door."

Mr. Morrissey omitted any further action at the time at the request of Mrs. Mills who said that she would get over his fret in a short time. But this morning the door remained closed and Smith refused to open it at the request of the landlady. Smith made complaint to Supt. Birmingham who authorized Investigator Morrissey, who is a special policeman to break down the door if necessary to remove Smith.

Smith has posed as an amateur photographer and has traveled about the section making views and selling them. Recently he has been under the weather physically and also mentally. It is believed that he has become more pronounced and his action in locking himself in his room and refusing food is taken to indicate that he should be removed.

This morning Investigator Morrissey again visited the house and called on Smith to open his door. "Who are you?" he asked the former. "I am Investigator Morrissey and I want you to open this door immediately or I will break it in," was the reply.

"I don't know you. If you have come to force me from this place I want to tell you that a thousand horses cannot drag me forth. If you attempt to enter this room I will resist to the death and I will not answer for the consequences. (Morrissey weighs about four times as much as Smith.) A man's house is his castle and if you attempt to enter I shall throw you out of the window."

The big investigator put his shoulder to the door and entered the room. Smith was quickly dressed and placed in the investigator's carriage. In a short time Smith was dropped at Lakeview. "I want to be sent to the food better there and the place is pleasant too." His wish was not satisfied as he displayed indications of no ailment except a general crankiness which verges upon insanity. In speaking of the condition of the room Smith said, "I don't want to get out of here. Mrs. Mills wanted to get him out. He is very untidy in his habits."

HABITUAL CRIMINAL ACT TO BE INVOKED

The habitual criminal act will be invoked in the case of James Cook, who was before the city court this morning on a charge of stealing a bicycle from Edward F. Kirk of 110 Black Rock avenue. Cook left his wheel on the curb at 691 East Washington avenue yesterday afternoon. When he returned, 10 minutes later, the wheel was gone. Cook was charged with simple larceny. A short time afterward with the wheel in his possession. Cook's case was continued until Saturday by Judge Edmund Wilder who press the more serious charge. Cook has been convicted of theft four times. He has just completed a term of four months in jail for theft. Isaac Shoheim, 513 East Main street testified that Cook tried to sell the stolen bicycle to him. Cook, a barber at 85 Steuben St., accused Cook of stealing razors from his shop. After court adjourned, a woman, who was said to be a friend of Perce of enticing young girls to his shop by offers of candy, Perce denied the charge and advised the police if her charges were true. As no charges have been preferred there is some doubt in the minds of the officers as to their foundation.

Jacob Tomasko, arrested by Patrolman Dempsey in East Bridgeport, was charged with simple drunkenness. He will be held until tomorrow when it is expected additional charges will be preferred for assaulting members of his family.

EXHIBITION WEEK

With the Stoddard Millinery Co. Wednesday, the first formal exhibition of their spring headwear, will be attended by a discriminating crowd of patrons. The general expression among them was of pleasure and admiration, particularly to find such a beautiful collection of small and medium sized hats. The collection of designs has certainly received an added impetus by their fine shades of color. The shades of the most exquisitely tinted flowers of all descriptions, fine flowers and small and medium sized roses being the prevailing trimmings. The shapes are many and quaintness characterizes many of the styles.

One large black net mushroom shape hat with new high crown and deep brim rolling at the side with three elegant ostrich plumes and trimmed with jet rope, was much admired. Another of the rich golden brown silk straw in beaded pattern, Shepherdess mode faced with pale old rose and trimmed with a richly colored honey-suckle wreath in shaded golden hues and blended old rose, indescribably beautiful.

Will you not see them for yourself and many others worth special mention? You are cordially invited to call on any or all of the exhibition days, March 25 to March 31.

Foley's Kidney Remedy will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. Cures backache and irregularities that if neglected might result in Bright's disease or diabetes. F. B. Brill, local agent.

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

Basket of Plums Distributed in Diplomatic and Judicial Service Today.

(Special from United Press.) Washington, March 25.—John G. Leishman of Pennsylvania, was today nominated by President Taft as ambassador to Italy. He succeeds Ambassador Griscom.

Other nominations were as follows: Henry Clay Ide of Vermont, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Spain; Charles Sherill of New York, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Argentina Republic; to be United States Judge, Western District of Pennsylvania, Charles F. Orr, of Pennsylvania, to be Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Porto Rico, Jose Conrado Hernandez, of Porto Rico; to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Porto Rico, Emilio Tere Y Cuevas, of Porto Rico; to be United States District Judge, first division district Alaska, Thomas R. Lyons, of Alaska; to be United States Attorney, Henry A. Wile, southern district of New York; George B. Curtis, northern district of New York; William G. Wheeler, eastern district of Wisconsin; Cornelius D. Murane, third division of Alaska.

THESE BURGLARS ALSO VANDALS

Besides Stealing Bottle Goods Thieves Leave the Tap of a Barrel of Porter Open.

The saloon conducted by Luke Clancy at 2 West avenue was entered by burglars last night. Entrance was gained through a rear door which was forced open with a jimmy. The burglars were vandals as well as thieves, for besides stealing five bottles of whiskey and several bottles of wine, the tap of a barrel of porter was opened and the contents allowed to run to waste.

An attempt was made to get into the store operated by Ex-Alderman P. D. Lyons at South and Park avenues, last night. The burglars got into the cellar but were frightened away when they reached the floor above. Nothing was missed.

DAVID BOOTHE DEAD

Oldest Citizen of Stratford

Succumbs at Age of 95.

The oldest citizen of Stratford, aged 95 years and 10 months, Mr. David B. Booth, died at his residence in Putney nearly opposite the chapel, at an early hour this morning. He is survived by two sons, Steven and David H. Booth, Jr., well known insurance agents, dealers in real estate and agricultural implements. Mr. Booth had been prominent in town affairs, holding a number of public offices. He was one of the directors of the City National Bank of Bridgeport. He is reputed to have been a wealthy man, and owned one of the finest and best kept farms in town.

IDENTIFICATION OF KIDNAPPERS NOW COMPLETE

(Continued From First Page.) being the case she is not within the jurisdiction of Mercer County."

Because of this fact it is thought that many legal complications will arise for many witnesses from Ohio and Pennsylvania will have to be called for each trial necessitating a constant series of negotiations between the two states. Also it is stated to-day that a desperate attempt will be made to prove that the woman is not the wife of Billy Whittia and Janitor Wesley C. Sless of the East Ward School to-day made depositions concerning the kidnapping.

Cleveland, March 25.—A joint indictment was returned against Mr. and Mrs. James H. Boyle for blackmail. It was returned upon a letter, written on March 22, James Whittia, the last message from the kidnappers.

The Boyles consented this afternoon to the return of the woman to her home without extradition papers. It is doubtful whether the authorities can hold the woman as she committed in Pennsylvania a life imprisonment. Attorney Whittia checked off the ransom money with Detective Wood today to compare the serial numbers of the bills. The ransom will be returned to him.

WALSH SEEKS DAMAGES OF \$3,000

False imprisonment is the charge that George S. Walsh of New York brings against Louis Udelman of South Norwalk. He seeks \$3,000 in damages. The suit was filed before Judge Edwin B. Gager in the Superior Court this morning. Walsh as proprietor of the Anglo-American Ice Co., is alleged to have entered into a contract to put down parquet flooring in the home of the defendant, for the sum of \$225. In August, when the three men to do the work and according to his testimony they put floors in the closets of the home, which was not the contract. Walsh claims that he is another suit pending. The men became dissatisfied over their wages and put liens on the property and Udelman was grieved for the money due on the work. He sent a letter to South Norwalk, which he hurried to South Norwalk. Udelman was angry and wanted to know why Walsh did not pay his men. A policeman then served the attachments on Walsh as he was coming to take a train. Walsh home and placed him under arrest. The plaintiff claims that he was detained some time in the police station before being released. He claims that he was not allowed to see his wife, who was in civil matter and allowed him to go. For this reason Walsh brings the action for his false imprisonment which he claims was due to Udelman.

TREASURY FACES BIG DEFICIT. (Special from United Press.) Washington, March 25.—The deficit in the United States Treasury does not reach \$120,000,000 by the beginning of the next fiscal year, July 1, Uncle Sam's account officers will be very much surprised. President Taft paid the threatened deficit at \$20,000,000 less than that of the last one which was well inside the lines, when he gave the condition of the national finances as a reason for calling Congress in extra session for a revision of the tariff.

The deficit is over \$89,524,000 and the expenditures are exceeding the receipts by a daily average of over half a million dollars. This is not the first time that the Treasury has been in such a predicament. The last time was when the last Congress appropriated \$100,000,000 to pay out within a few

HOWLAND'S

Entrances on Main street, Fairfield avenue and Cannon street.

Bridgeport, Conn.,

Thursday, March 25, 1909.

The Weather—Clearing and cooler

tonight; Friday, fair.

Hats are not freakish.



majority in the gathering are tasteful and handsome and attractive and pretty. Lines are new, to be sure. But they are sensible modifications of the freakish hats that you have been led, in one way or another, to look for.

Decidedly, Howland hats are far from being freakish. Take a peep at the imported hats in the window at the right of the Main street door. They have just come across the water. They are very latest design produced "on the other side." Are they not sensible and attractive? Inspect the many hats that make up the tasteful display in the bright millinery room on the second floor. You will see an exaggerated mushroom here and there, or an enormous poke-bonnet shape. But, in general, the hats are sensible, are pretty, are of such shape that they look well upon the head.

It is illuminating lesson upon good style to see and to study this collection. You will enjoy it. We shall enjoy having you do it.

Second floor.

Spring double-service suits.



Boys get choice from the nattiest and best-value suits ever you saw at \$6.50 \$7.50 and \$8.50. They are fine suits. Fine is right word to apply to them. Fine fabrics, fine cutting, fine making, fine appearance. And they will give extra service because every one of them has two pairs of trousers. Wouldn't belong to the double-service family, if they didn't.

Spring suits for boys are even better than those double-service suits that so surprised boys' parents last fall and all through the winter. They are so full of excellence and style and value that they are almost wonderful. And every one of them has two pairs of trousers. Mothers appreciate this; it makes a suit good for practically twice as long.

These suits at 6½ 7½ and 8½ dollars are blue serge in plain or fancy weave, brown and gray striped fabrics, English checked chevrons. They are made in single-breasted style with patch pockets, in double-breasted styles with the handsome Derby or the box back. For boys of 6 to 10 there are also Norfolk styles with pleats running down from a yoke. In all sorts, the trousers are fully and carefully lined.

Great suits in every way—\$6.50 \$7.50 and \$8.50.

Boys' Shop, front basement.

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HIGHEST TIDE IN MANY YEARS

Places That Have Always Been High and Dry Under Water This Afternoon.

The tide today, in the estimation of the men along the shore and the sea captains, was the highest ever seen in Bridgeport. The water was high and dry were utterly submerged. The dock of the Faircliff Steel Co. was well under water, while the Mohawk Yacht Club house could be considered a house boat. Many tugs, with their tows, being warned of the approaching storm, put into the outer harbor for the day. A very choppy sea was running with indications this afternoon of a possible clearing. The storm of this morning had long been expected, since March 21, when the sun crosses the Tropic of Capricorn causes the fine storms.

JURY FINDS FOR DEFENDANT

The jury in the slander suit of Alexander Belke of Darien against Samuel C. Horn of Fairfield, returned a verdict in favor of the defendant this afternoon after they had been out ten minutes. Belke put up the claim that Horn had said that he had stolen a buggy, but Horn proved otherwise. The trial started at 10 this morning, the jury going out at 12:15. Belke sued for \$1,000.

Deaths and Funerals.

Sarah Walker, widow of the late John Walker, died this morning at her home in Fairfield avenue, Fairfield. The deceased was in her 61st year and was the daughter of Jonas and Hannah Walker, being born in Michigan. Richard Carroll of Stratford, died yesterday at his home after an illness

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He has a skill and an art and a taste that combine to make his rugs distinctive.

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He has taken the carpets of Bokhara, of Saraband, of Gorevan, of Shiraz, of Kabistan, of Hamadan. He has reproduced their intricate patterns and their rich colors with marvelous success.

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In carpet hall, third floor.

Rich ribbons.

Glorious ribbons spread themselves to lend color and brightness and beauty to the spring show-days. Of fine silk, they are equally fine of design and color and effect.

Flowered ribbons with flowers that seem to have been strewed there right from some beautiful garden—29c to \$3 yd.

Shadowed ribbons in Dresden figures and elusive plaids—\$1 and \$1.20 yd.

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